

WAR LOAN AT BILLION MARK TO-NIGHT; SECOND BILLION TO COME IN THIS WEEK

BAVARIAN TROOPS THREATEN TO KILL THEIR COMMANDER AS HAIG MOVES UP BIG GUNS

Irish Forces Make Successful Raids on the Arras Front While British Field Marshal Prepares for New Blow in Flanders.

LONDON, Oct. 16.—"Northwest of Bullecourt early this morning Irish troops carried out a successful raid," says to-day's official announcement. "The enemy's artillery showed considerable activity during the night in the neighborhood of the Ypres-Station Railway."

Heavy artillery operations and increasing frequency in trench raiding in Flanders are taken here to-day to indicate the approach of a new British offensive in spite of the weather and the almost impassable state of the marsh-like ground. For several days the British have been working with untiring efforts to move their big guns forward through the muck. The guns are now in position, making untenable the German lines on which they are trained.

More and more it is becoming apparent that there is rapidly growing disorganization in the German Army. Captured officers are well informed on the recent naval mutiny and do not hesitate to admit such a spirit is spreading in the army, too.

Conditions are said to be especially bad among the Bavarian units, until recently the best troops in the Kaiser's army. Certain Bavarian units have been served with winter clothing, with the prospect of spending an easy time this winter on the Russian front. Then the British drive became serious and their officers had great trouble to put down open mutiny when their troops were sent back into the deadly Ypres sector. The men of one battalion openly threatened to kill their commander.

Captured officers seem far better fed than their men, and do not appear to have shared the dangers of their men in the first line trenches. In spite of this, however, even the captured officers are pessimistic over Germany's chances in the war. They see as the only alternatives domestic collapse or gradual defeat through a series of "strategic retreats."

Apparently the German high command, in an effort to distract the British from their attacks along the Passchendaele Ridge, have planned a counter-blow against the tiny Belgian army that holds a sector of the Flanders front closest to the North Sea. The latest official report from the Belgian War Office at Havre reads: "To-day (Monday) there was great artillery activity and violent bomb fighting before Dixmude during the whole morning. The Germans launched several thousand projectiles of all calibres and numerous aerial torpedoes against our lines. Our artillery replied energetically, in co-operation with our trench guns, which only ceased after having silenced the enemy artillery and bomb throwers early in the afternoon."

At least seventy German divisions have been used in the fighting on the British front since last July.

German guns still are being withdrawn from the British front and the new British positions have brought a wide circle of new objectives within range of the heaviest. These include points hitherto inaccessible, such as the Roulers railway station, with its sidings and stores, and these are being kept under a constant hurricane of fire.

IOFFRE IMPRESSED BY BIG U. S. ARMY; PREDICTS VICTORY

Braves Hailstorm for Review and Tells Americans They Will Defeat Germany.

AMERICAN FIELD HEADQUARTERS, France, Oct. 16.—After a two days' visit with the American troops Marshal Joffre departed for home to-day, his patriotism enlarged by a good many American words. "Papa" Joffre is not only "Papa" to the poilus now. The American troops claim him too.

On Monday, accompanied by Gen. Pershing, Joffre swept through all the American camps and left the whole zone in a state of almost frenzied excitement and enthusiasm.

Beginning at 10 o'clock in the morning Pershing showed off his first contingent. Thousands of weather-beaten, perfectly conditioned American fighters, their ranks interlarded with flags and bands, swept in waves across the muddy, table land and dropped behind the hill crest.

The review was a thrilling panorama of bobbing, undulating rows of steel helmets as far as the eye could reach.

When the men had all passed by Marshal Joffre made a brief address to the officers. Then he and Pershing, with Gen. Sibert, Bundy and other generals, entered automobiles. They were whisked away for miles through a score of hamlets where women, children and old men thronged the roadides to cheer.

In the afternoon Joffre and Pershing, in a blinding hail and rainstorm, trudged over the slippery, muddy fields inspecting a big American officers' training center.

The party at one time approached a little too close for safety in the bombing and bayonet drill. Gen. Pershing, who accompanied Marshal Joffre throughout the day, suggested that they move back thirty or forty paces. "For France," he said, "has but one Marshal, and we cannot let him be in the slightest danger."

"Oh, but she could get another Marshal," smiled the hero of the Marne, with a shrug of his shoulders.

FRANCE, Oct. 16 (by the Associated Press).—Marshal Joffre, in his address to the American troops yesterday said: "In every way you have realized our hopes. The best proof of your earnestness, your determination to help win this war against autocracy, may be read in your eyes as I look into them. Under the direction of Gen. Pershing you are getting ready to face the enemy. Guided by that eminent chief, guided by the zeal with which your great war armies are being perfected, you will move forward to gather the laurels and glory that lie before you."

"All the news I have from America is to the effect that there, as well as here, you are working in the same intense manner. Guided by such men as Gen. Pershing, your Secretary of War, Mr. Baker, and your Chief of Staff, Gen. Bliss, you are rapidly going ahead, and I am confident our enemy will see before him one of the most formidable war machines which could ever be imagined."

"Our enemy believed in his egotistical pride that he could dominate the universe. Your reply to him has already been most eloquent—more eloquent than he ever dreamed. You have come here to join the Allies in delivering humanity from the would-be yoke of German intolerance. Let us continue to be united and victory surely will be ours."

Plends for Higher Freight and Passenger Rates.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 16.—Frank Trumbull, Chairman of the Railway Executive Advisory Committee, addressing the American Association of Passenger Traffic Managers to-day, pleaded for higher freight and passenger rates.

1,000 CHILDREN IN RIOT; SCHOOL WINDOWS SMASHED; 20 ARRESTED IN GARY STRIKE

Parents Join Pupils in Attack—Police Reserves Called Out to Quell Outbreak.

About 1,000 small boys, pupils in Public School No. 171, which occupies the block bounded by Madison and Fifth Avenues and 163d and 164th Streets, went on strike to-day against the Gary system, stoned the schoolhouse, broke about 100 windows, scattered into Central Park and gave the police reserves and regular patrolmen of the East 164th Street station the busiest day they have experienced in years. Aiding in the strike and rioting were many mothers and fathers of the children.

Ten arrests were made. Three of those arrested are fathers of children. At the close of school this afternoon the whole district was in an uproar, and police reserves were hurrying all over the neighborhood quelling incipient riots. Principal M. J. Wilson said he had been ordered by the Board of Education to say nothing about the situation.

Mr. Wilson intimated that the strike was an outcropping of the uprising of the pupils of the High School of Commerce who live in the Harlem ghetto, but Albert Gluckman, captain of the Home Defense League of the district, who talks Yiddish and addressed the riotous gathering of jabbering women and children several times, says it was a demonstration against the Gary system.

The mothers and fathers he talked to told him that, under the new system, the children get ravenously hungry under the influence of the physical exercises, and that the parents cannot afford to satisfy the appetites of their offspring.

There are 3,700 pupils in the school. Under the Gary system they are in the school house at 8:30 o'clock A. M., are released between 11:15 and 12:15 and return at the latter hour to remain until 3:30. The mob to-day clamored for a return to the old school hours, 9 to 12 and 1 to 5.

The parents say the setting up exercises which the children go through in the morning and the vocational exercises make them so hungry that they are not satisfied with the frugal meal provided for them at their homes during the noon hour. They also claim that the children are worked too hard and that the school hours are too long.

U BOATS SINK TWO AMERICAN SHIPS; CREWS ARE SAVED

Bostonian and Memphian of White Star Line Reported Destroyed.

BOSTON, Oct. 16.—The White Star Line offices in this city to-day announced receipt of cable despatches telling of the sinking in the submarine zone of their steamers Bostonian and Memphian.

Both vessels carried crews of fifty men, who are reported to have been saved.

The Memphian recently was withdrawn from Boston service and placed on the New Orleans route. She was 460 feet long and of 4,066 tons.

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LONDON, Oct. 16.—John H. Aldred of Newport News, Va., five Filipinos and one Porto Rican were among those lost in the torpedoing of an outgoing vessel from a British port, it was announced to-day.

LIBERTY BOND TOTAL HERE SOARS UP TO \$381,057,000; \$50,000,000 TAKEN TO-DAY

Washington Reports Nation Speeding Up Campaign—New York Expects \$400,000,000 by Night—Guaranty Trust Takes \$20,000,000

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16.—Treasury officials declared to-day that the Liberty Loan will have reached its first \$1,000,000,000 in subscriptions by to-night.

With the billion dollar mark in sight to-day, Treasury officials were inclined to believe that the remainder of the campaign would witness a tremendous acceleration in subscriptions and that \$2,000,000,000 might be reached by the end of the week.

Despatches from every section told of redoubled efforts to quicken the campaign. Minneapolis, where taking of actual subscriptions had not begun until yesterday, reported that 60,000 workers had taken the field and that the district was alive with enthusiasm. Officials here expected reports to-night from all Reserve banks showing in large figures the result of yesterday's intensive drive.

An increase of more than \$50,000,000 to-day brought the New York district's total subscription to the second Liberty Loan to \$381,057,000. The steadiness with which large subscriptions came in during the afternoon made this the biggest day of the present drive and led the managers of the undertaking to believe that tonight would end \$400,000,000 of the \$1,500,000,000 the Government expects from the district accounted for.

The gratifying improvement in the situation is attributed to President Wilson's proclamation in behalf of the loan, his words having awakened the country to the fact that the maximum of activity is necessary in the remaining eleven days of the campaign if the \$5,000,000,000 was to be raised.

The Guaranty Trust Company took the lead to-day in the matter of subscriptions by buying \$20,000,000 worth of the bonds, making a total purchase of \$21,000,000 by the company. Until to-day's subscription was received from the company the National Bank of Commerce was in the van, having bought \$20,000,000 of the new bonds yesterday.

OTHER SUBSCRIPTIONS ANNOUNCED DURING DAY.

Day subscriptions that came in to-day were:

Mechanics and Metals National Bank, \$5,000,000; Delaware, Luckawana and Western Coal Company \$3,500,000; Kountze Brothers, \$1,000,000; Midvale Steel and Ordnance Company, \$1,000,000; American Cattle Company, \$1,000,000; Phelps-Dodge Corporation, \$1,000,000; New York Produce Exchange Bank, \$1,000,000; Union Trust Company, \$1,000,000; a second subscription; Howard Savings Institute of Newark, \$1,000,000; Erie County Savings Bank of Buffalo \$500,000; Heidelberg, Kiehlmeier & Co., \$1,000,000; H. H. Franklin Manufacturing Company, Syracuse, \$500,000; Federal Sugar Refining Company, \$250,000; Smith & Schipper, \$250,000; Honduras Rosario Mining Company, \$100,000; Brown Brothers, \$500,000; Seaboard National Bank, \$1,500,000; Gillette Safety Razor Company, \$500,000; F. Humenual & Co., \$500,000; Honnans & Co., \$250,000; P. H. Koech & Co., \$50,000; American Hawaiian Steamship Company, \$250,000; Barber & Co., Inc., \$200,000.

Eight directors of National Bank

BRITISH BLOW UP GERMAN ARSENAL; REGIMENT IN IT

Heavy Casualty Roll Follows Raid of Airships on Town of Roulers.

LONDON, Oct. 16.—British airmen in a recent attack on the Belgian town of Roulers caused the destruction of an arsenal in which was quartered a newly arrived German regiment. This information was contained in a despatch from Amsterdam to the Central News Agency and was reported by a trustworthy correspondent on the Dutch frontier.

One of the first incendiary bombs dropped struck on the arsenal, which immediately burst into flames. The confusion was added to by airmen, who descending to a low altitude, used their machine guns freely, which by increasing the casualty roll, which the correspondent said was enormous.

BRITISH JOIN IN SECRET NAVAL CONFERENCES

"Concern Very Grave Subjects," Is Only Announcement of Secretary Daniels.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16.—American naval co-operation with the Allies was further discussed to-day at a conference between the British Ambassador, Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, the British Naval Attaché, Commodore Daniell, Secretary Daniels and Admiral Benson, Chief of Operations.

No announcement of the results of the conference was made and it was generally regarded as a sequel to the discussions which have been going on between Secretary Daniels, Admiral Benson and Admiral Mayo, Commander of the Atlantic Fleet, who recently returned from a naval conference with the Allies at London.

The only announcement Secretary Daniels had made of the conference so far is that they concern very grave subjects.

It was said that, bearing in mind always the danger of over-optimism, the progress being made by the combined fleets was more than merely encouraging, and that the participation of American ships had brought very favorable comment from the foreign officials.

Painleve Exonerates Malvy.

PARIS, Oct. 16.—Premier Painleve has communicated to the Cabinet the result of the inquiry he made into the charges against Louis J. Malvy, former Minister of the Interior, accused by Leon Daudet, editor of l'Action Française, of having betrayed secrets to Germany. The Premier said his investigation had shown that all the accusations, whether of communicating military and diplomatic documents to the enemy or of complicity in military disturbances, were unfounded.

Kerensky Recovers From His Illness.

PETROGRAD, Oct. 16.—Premier Kerensky has recovered sufficiently from his recent indisposition to travel. He will return to Petrograd Wednesday and open the Council of the Russian Republic on Thursday.

HOPE FOR MEAT PACKERS! PRICES STILL GOING UP

But Record Corn Crop Will Hit Egg and Poultry Market Hard a Year From Now.

CHICAGO, Oct. 16.—The consumer has no cause to worry over the present prices of meats. He is confronted with the prospect of still higher prices. This was indicated at the conference of the American Meat Packers' Association in session here to-day.

On the other hand, eggs and poultry are to be cheaper a year from now.

"This year's huge crop of corn and oats means cheaper feed, but it will require a year before the effect is felt in the poultry and eggs markets," explained W. T. Nebels, business manager of the National Poultry, Butter and Egg Association.

Only Eight Doctors for 12,000,000 People.

COLUMBUS, O., Oct. 16.—An urgent need for missionary doctors in China was expressed at the National Congress of Congregational Churches here to-day by Dr. W. G. Fairbank of Elkland, Turkey.

"There are only eight doctors to 12,000,000 people in the Province of Shanah," declared Dr. Fairbank.

Motorists Whose Wreck Caused Forty-five Deaths Is Acquitted.

BOSTON, Oct. 16.—Gerald Walter, motorist on a Boston elevated railroad car which plunged through an open grave in November, 1916, killing forty-five passengers, was acquitted to-day. Walter was charged with manslaughter by reckless operation of the car and in failing to heed warning signals.

TWO U BOATS SUNK BY FRENCH WARSHIPS

Minister of Marine Reports Successful Attacks in Mediterranean Sea.

PARIS, Monday, Oct. 15.—French warships destroyed two German submarines in the western Mediterranean in the last week of September, according to information received to-day by the French Ministry of Marine.

BRITISH LOST 14,036 IN LAST WEEK'S BATTLE

Officers and Men Who Were Killed or Died of Wounds Numbered 2,789.

LONDON, Oct. 15.—British casualties reported in the last week amount to 14,036. They are divided as follows:

Killed or Died of Wounds—Officers, 277; men, 1,507.

Wounded or Missing—Officers, 837; men, 10,472.